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In re the Application of

Nobuyuki SUDA

Group Art Unit: 3724

Application No.: 10/578,510

Examiner:

J. DEFRANK

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LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired May 12, 2009, an extension of time for a period of 1 month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 218138 in the amount of \$130.00 in payment for:

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